B. *Non-Executives*

1.	Shri C.P. Kataria	Electrician	HQ, New Delhi
2.	Ms. Shashi Kapoor	Assistant	HQ, New Delhi
3.	Shri Ramashwar Pandey	Roneo Operator	HQ, New Delhi
4.	Shri Madho Ram	Electrician	HQ, New Delhi
5.	Shri Bhagwan Singh Bist	Electrician	HQ, New Delhi
6.	Shri Surjit Pachal	Jr. Assistant	HQ, New Delhi
7.	Shri U.S. Mishra	Clerk	HQ, New Delhi

Proposal to develop Mangalore and Udupi Districts of Karnataka as Tourism Centres

1542. SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARY: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to develop the Mangalore and the Udupi Districts of Karnataka as Tourist Centres; and

(b) if so, the places identified in these Districts for Development as tourist centres, the estimated cost and date of completion of the projects?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SRIKANTA KUMAR JENA): (a) and (b) The Department of Tourism of Union Government sanctioned financial assistance of Rs. 1174.71 lakhs for various projects in Karnataka during Eighth Plan. Which included construction of Public Convenience at Ullal in Mangalore district and a Yatri Niwas at Udupi.

Steps to encourage Tourism in the North-Eastern Region

1543. SHRI ONWARDL NONGTDU: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to encourage tourism in the North-Eastern Region during the next 5 years; and

(b) the most important new projects proposed to be developed for the purpose; state-wise details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (SHRI SRIKANTA KUMAR JENA): (a) and (b) The steps taken to encourage tourism in the North Eastern Region during the next five years include emphasis on Infrastructure and Human Resource Development and wide publicity of tourist attractions of the region. The Task Force of the Department of Tourism has prepared a report for development through Tourism in the North Eastern States. The Department of Tourism has also identified Guwahati-Kaziranga-Shillong-Tawangas as a travel circuit for intensive and integrated development.

For the year 1997-98 the Department of Tourism has identified 53 projects estimated at Rs. 1480 lakhs for central financial assistance in the region. These projects include construction of Tourist Complexes, Wayside amenities, tourist Reception Centres, Tourist Huts, Purchase of Adventure Sports Equipments and illumination of important places.

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1544. **श्री जर्नादन यादव :** क्या पर्यटन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या बिहार के बांसी मंदारहल, अमरपुर अंचल के झरणा तथा देवधर क्षेत्रों में पर्यटन के विकास से संबंधित कोई योजना स्वीकृत की गई है,